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INFO AMEMBASSY NAIROBI
AMEMBASSY BRAZZAVILLE POUCH

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DEPT FOR A/SY/OPS/FO/AF FROM RSO, NAIROBI FOR RSS AND OIC/RTC

E.O. 11652: N/A
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SUBJ: AMEMB BRAZZAVILLE

1. THIS RSO HAS JUST COMPLETED NEGOTIATIONS FOR POST WITH ELECTRICAL FENCING CONTRACTORS. THE RESULT IS THE THE POST WILL SUBMIT TO FBO REQUESTS FOR FUNDING.
2. THE RSO HOPES THAT THE DEPT WILL ASSIST IN URGING FBO TO APPROVE THESE ESTIMATES AS RAPIDLY AS POSSIBLE. THEY ARE CONSIDERED BY THE RSO TO BE THE BASIC ELEMENTS NECESSARY IN PROVIDING ADEQUATE INTERNAL SECURITY CONTROLS AT THE EMBASSY AND OFFICIAL RESIDENCE.
3. THE NEED FOR A FENCE IS AN OBVIUS NECESSITY IN BRAZZAVILLE AND THERE IS NO SENCE BULDING ONE MERELY FOR COSMETIC PURPOSES. THE RSO HAS RECOMMENDED A STRUCTURE WHICH IS PRACTICAL AND COMPLIES WITH THE MINIMAL STANDARDS OF 9' AND DOES NOT APPEAR OFFENSIVE.
4. THE LIGHTING ESTMATE PROVIDES FOR COMPLETE SECURITY COVERAGE UTILIZING DEVICES THAT HAVE A LONG LIFE FACTOR.

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THIS WILL UNDOUBTEDLY SAVE THE POST MONEY OVER THE YEARS. THE PROGRAM OF LIGHTING IS IN SEVERAL PHASES AND CAN BE INSTALLED ENTIRELY BY A LOCAL CONTRACTOR.

5. THE POST IS IN NEED OF INTERNAL SECURITY CHANGES, BUT MUST FIRST DECIDE WHERE OFFICES ARE GOING TO BE PLACED, WHERE DIFFERENT SECTIONS SUCH AS CONSULAR WILL BE BEFORE THIS RSO

CAN BE OF ANY ASSISTANCE. THERE IS EXTREME NEED OF EITHER THE POST ACQUIRING THE SERVICES OF A LOCAL ARCHITECT OR OF FBO SENDING A PERSON AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

6. A SIGNIFICANT PROBLEM WITH PERSONNEL FLOW EXISTS AND THE NEED FOR THE REMOVAL OF WALLS AND CLOSING UP DOORS IS VERY EVIDENT.

7. TO CONCERN OURSELVES WITH ANY FORM OF COMPREHENSIVE SECURITY SURVEY AT THIS TIME WOULD BE PREMATURE. AN INTERIM REPORT IS SENSIBLE AND WILL BE FORWARDED SHORTLY. IF THE POST CAN ADVISE CONCERNING HOW IT WILL ORIENT PLACEMENT OF OFFICES WITHIN THE EMBASSY THEN THE RSO CAN BE OF CONSIDERABLE ASSISTANCE CONCERNING INTERNAL SECURITY AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN ACCESS CONTROL PACKAGE.

8. AN EXAMPLE OF THE BUILDING STRUCTURAL PROBLEMS IS THAT ALMOST ALL WINDOWS IN THE FACILITY ARE THE LOUVER TYPE PROHIBITING ANY EXCAPE IN CASE OF FIRE THROUGH PREPARED CONTROLLED OPENINGS IN THE GRILL WORK.

9. THE RSO IN CONJUNCTION WITH TSO'S AND THE POST, STRONGLY URGE THAT FBO OR A CONTRACTED ARCHITECT EVALUATE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE AND SUBMIT FIRM PLANS FOR THE INTERNAL REMODLING OF THE AMERICAN EMBASSY IN BRAZZAVILLE.

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